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SALE LICENCE

Age-restricted sale of tobacco products through licensed stores urged

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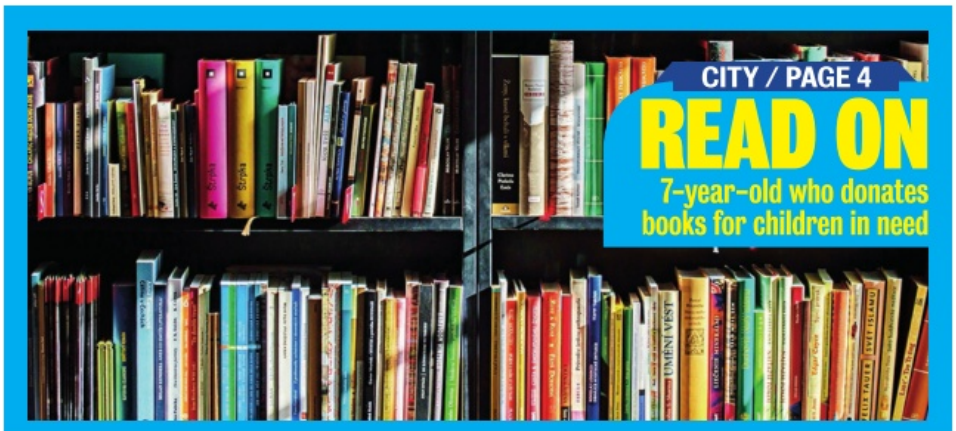

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READ ON

7-year-old who donates books for children in need

HSR Layout resident shows how to conserve water this summer using fairly simple aerators and restrictors that control flow and ration water, especially at schools and community spaces

LADY OF THE WATER

78 aerators installed in six schools

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Water is an essential and critical natural resource that sustains life. Naturally, during summers, consumption of water is high and one is reminded of water conservation.

In an initiative to conserve water this summer, a resident of HSR Layout is installing water aerators and flow restrictors to reduce wastage, in schools, hotels, marriage halls, public toilets and other locations in the city.

In March, Lalithamba visited Haralukunte Government School. She noticed the hand wash taps, newly installed by a private firm through a CSR initiative, had excess water flow; there was wastage of water. Over 16 litres of water was flowing per minute through the taps.

Lalithamba knew that a simple device, an aerator, could come in handy in this scenario in controlling the flow of water and thereby conserving it. She got aerators installed in the school taps. When measured

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> **"Pumping of water to overhead tank had come down from twice a day to once in a government school where aerators/restrictors were installed** —Lalithamba, water conservationist

BACK ON TRACK

Suburban rail tender will be finalised by mid-April; work order to be issued shortly

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The much-awaited Bengaluru suburban rail project is only a few days away from starting the work on the ground on its first corridor. The Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Limited (K-RIDE) officials told BM that the tender process for the Baiyyappanahalli-Chikkabanavara corridor is on the verge of getting awarded.

"The work on the Baiyyappanahalli-Chikkabanavara line will start soon. We are in the process of awarding the tenders. This is the first one of all the five corridors proposed. The evaluation work is going on currently. Our alignment plans have been approved and all other approvals are in place as well. We are going ahead. While I cannot give an exact date, the work on the ground will begin soon," said Amit Garg, managing director, K-RIDE.

According to K-RIDE officials, the tender will be finalised by mid-April and the work order will be issued soon after.

"The tender is with the scrutiny

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Shoppers' paradise

Hi Life Exhibition, one of the most exciting and exclusive fashion exhibitions of India with exclusive designs of haute couture, personal style, home décor and luxury products, is back in the city. The top renowned designers from across India will be showcasing some of their best designer works of art, from wedding ensembles, designer apparels and jewellery to fashion accessories, home accessories to furnishing concepts to new-age art.
Where: The Lalit Ashok, Seshadripuram;
When: Till April 10, 10 am – 8 pm

02 The fun element

Orion Malls has been adding a dash of fun and a splash of entertainment every summer by organizing the Fun League - an exciting event that attracts a diverse set of shoppers and fun-lovers, including grown-ups and kids. Keeping up with the tradition of entertaining Bangalore, Orion Malls is all set to make this year's 'Fun League' truly memorable by bringing to life some of the most iconic characters from Cartoon Network, with its new brand campaign 'Redraw your World'. **Where: Orion Malls, multiple locations**
When: Till April 24

03 Bookworms, unite

Bibliophiles, what are you reading these days? Is there a book or an author that has amazed you recently? Discuss it with like-minded people at this special club for bookworms and share the magic of some wordsmiths who not only influenced us but shaped our lives in some way.
Where: Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar
When: April 9, 4–5 pm; Register: 9886294444

Fee issue has parents & schools at loggerheads

Schools tell parents that report cards will be shown only after paying fees

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Parents complain that with classes being held online for most of last year, they should not have to pay for other miscellaneous charges

The fee issue has once again cropped up, with schools now sending reminders to parents to pay the previous year's fee.

In fact, a few schools have gone a step ahead to state that they will not share the results of the students if the parents fail to pay the last year's fee structure. A reputed school in the city has sent a circular to the parents stating, "Answer scripts will be shown next week to the parents. However, papers (read answer scripts) will be shown only for those who have cleared the fees. So, kindly clear the dues by month-end."

Another school has sent a message on Thursday stating thar report cards would be issued for nursery to Class seven on April 8. "Pending school fees must be cleared before April 7 failing which, report cards will not be issued."

Many parents are up in arms. "It is unfair of schools to withhold the result for the fee issue. It is a well-known fact that all of us have suffered due to Covid and we had requested the schools to provide concessions or extra time for paying fees," said Nara Hari, a businessman. This is nothing but an emotional blackmail to the parents, he complained.

Sri Vidya, a homemaker and parent said that despite classes being held in online for most part of the year, there was no concession in the fee structure. "When our kids didn't utilise any of the physical facilities, how is it for parents to pay the full fees?"

Other parents argued that many schools were not issuing transfer certificates to parents even if they wished to change the schools.

Those parents alleged that the schools were insisting on NOC over fee payment if the TC had to be issued.

However, schools have a different story to narrate. "There is no restriction on fees as even the State Government has allowed us to collect the fee. All the institutions were severely hit since the pandemic began. For the year 2020-21, fee collection hit rock bottom. We managed somehow," said a school principal who didn't want to be named.

However, for the academic year 2021-22, it is the duty of the students to pay the fee structure. Though we had initially told the parents that we will disconnect the online class facility for not paying fees, we still continued. However, now it is not fair for the parents to keep us waiting about the fee issue, he said.

Another school principal said, "It is an obligation on part of parents to pay the fee. We have to pay salaries, rent and other expenses and this can be managed only with a fee structure as none of the unaided private schools received any financial support from the government." As schools and parents are at loggerheads over the fee issue, many have demanded the State Government to step in and help them resolve the issue.

> **"All of us have suffered due to Covid and we had requested the schools to provide concessions or extra time for paying fees**
> – Nara Hari, a parent

JEE examinees in consternation over new dates

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The National Testing Agency's (NTA) decision to reschedule the dates of JEE (Main) 2022 examination has left students and parents with a lot of concerns. While students are apprehensive that it will lead to a delayed academic calendar once again, parents say the children will get burnt out.

JEE Main Session 1 has been postponed to June 20-29 and Session 2 has been pushed to July 21-30. "My son Pranav was comfortable with the exam being held in April. However, the revised dates have put us in a difficult situation. Now the JEE Advance exam's dates will also get stretched to August and September," said Seema Agarwal, a parent. She added that her son will have to give up on his vacation plan, and feel burnt out. Students, meanwhile, are worried this might impact their performance in the board examination.

"I was prepared to write the JEE Main examination in April. Appearing for JEE before boards would have taken off a lot of pressure," said Chaitanya Bharadwaj, a student.

Many fear this will lead to a vicious cycle of the delayed academic calendar. Parents say it is not easy for the children to get adjusted to the ever-changing dates as preparations require discipline.

"This is the second time JEE Mains schedule has been changed. This affects the rhythm of the students. Moreover, it will also lead to an inevitable delay in the academic calendar this year too. The board examinations should have been slotted in March and April and JEE Main could have followed immediately after," said Meenakshi Malhotra, another parent.

Many fear the loss of almost an entire semester once again. "Colleges will have to either shorten the semester or semester breaks to cover up for this delay. We also need to meet certain deadlines, especially when students enter their final semester. If that gets delayed, it will impact campus placement," said a faculty member of a city-based college.

Bengaluru not sleeping, thanks to social media

Study claims Bengaluru second city to wake up early despite going to bed late

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Social media browsing is one of the main reasons for 35 per cent of Bengalurueans being late-night owls. This apart, 42 per cent of the city's population feel that a digital device ban before bed will help improve their sleep quality, says a study conducted by Wakefit.co.

Wakefit.co released its fifth edition of its Great Indian Sleep Scorecard (GISS) 2022 on the occasion of the World Health Day on Thursday. The report reveals interesting sleep trends and insights that have been observed in the silicon valley of India, of which the key findings indicate, that there is almost a 60 per cent increase in the number of Bengalureans feeling sleepy during work hours since last year and that one in every four Bengalurueans have fear of insomnia.

The report also indicated that in 2022, around 62 per cent of Bengaluru's population went to bed after 11 pm, and this is a worrying sign, as experts believe that the ideal bedtime for adults is between 10 to 11 pm. Additionally, around 33 per cent of the population in Bengaluru also reported that their quality of sleep has decreased post-pandemic.

Claiming to be the largest sleep study with over two lakh responses garnered across five years and more than 30,000 plus responses this year, the GISS study highlighted the key observations in India's sleep patterns. The report also shares stark differences in sleep patterns of Indians both pre- and post-pandemic.

According to the GISS report, Bengaluru is the second city to wake up the earliest in the morning (5 to 6 am) despite going to bed late at night. The first city to wake up in the country is Hyderabad, the report states.

While rising early is a habit one must maintain, a part of Bengaluru is still not getting its eight hours of sleep. It is a known fact that experts have recommended that healthy adults need at least eight hours of shuteye every night. However, on the brighter side, despite a part of Bengaluru not sleeping for a good 8 hours, 68% of the city still said they felt fresh when they woke up in the morning, the study revealed.

> **"In all, 42% respondents feel that a digital device ban before bed will help improve their sleep quality**
> – GISS study

The recent report of 2022 also indicated that social media browsing was one of the main reasons for 35 per cent of Bengaluru citizens being insomniac. Incidentally, 42 per cent of the population felt a digital device ban before bed will help improve their sleep quality. While Bengaluru has understood the reason behind their sleeplessness, a whopping 90 per cent of them admitted to using their phones every night, before bed. This is a massive indicator of addiction to digital devices.

The GISS report also indicated a 60 per cent increase in the number of people feeling sleepy during work hours since last year during the ongoing pandemic.

Over the last 5 years, the survey has received more than 2 lakh responses.

Your 2nd PU doubts cleared

Dear readers, we know you may have many queries regarding the 2nd PU exams. Don't worry we've got you covered. Just whatsapp us if you want any query answered by an expert or email us the questions. Connect with us on this number: 9591233247 and this email id: mybangaloremirror@timesgroup.com. We shall carry the questions and answers shortly.

Revised II PU time table announced

Bowing to the pressure of the students as certain exams were clashing with entrance tests, the PU department has revised the time table (April 22 to May 18) and issued a fresh one on Thursday. As per the new time table; the exams will be held between 10.15 am and 1.30 pm. April 22-Logic and Business Studies; April 23-Mathematics and Education; April 25-Economics; April 26-Hindustani Music, Psychology, Chemistry and Basic Maths; April 27-Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Marathi, Urdu, Sanskrit and French; April 28-Kannada and Arabic; May 4-Geography and Biology; April 5-Information Technology, Retail, Automobile, Health Care and Beauty and Wellness; May 6-English; May 10-History and Physics; May 12-Political Science and Statistics; May 14-Sociology, Electronics and Computer Science; May 17-Optional Kannada, Accountancy, Geology and Home Science and May 18-Hindi.

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7-yr-old book-lover is all about sharing

Young Romil distributes books, toys to kids who are not able to afford them

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Seven-year-old Romil Singh from Whitefield came forward to donate his 90 kgs of books so that they can be beneficial to other children who can't afford it. The books included his favourite comics, storytelling and phonic books.

From the age of one, Romil was very fascinated with seeing different colourful pictures in the book. As he turned two, his parents started telling him stories and would teach him alphabets or colours from the story books. Romil as a child, more than playing games, would want to hold books and just look at them. As he grew up, he developed the habit of reading books. And pick books wherever he found them.

Romil's mother saw her son developing a book reading habit and wanted to have a collection of books. The parents wanted to store all his books in a small library inside their house. However, Romil had other plans. He wanted to distribute them among kids who would be interested in reading too but can't afford them.

Romil shared an incident with BM of when he went to Lalbagh and while playing with his friends with a frisbee, he saw a child coming to him, asking if he could take the frisbee and Romil gave it away. "After that incident, I decided to share my things. Most of the books I have, I have read them. I thought it would be better to donate it to the ones who will need it and can even be happy, instead of just keeping it in our house," he said.

"The books were packed in three boxes. A box was sent to non-profit organisations – Robin Hood Army and Navachetana – and Gram Panchayat libraries –Zibi Jamal, Whitefield Rising

Romil also pointed out that in his school, Inventure Academy, the teachers had taught the students about how one needs to help others. "During our classes, we were told that many children don't have money to buy many things. If we could share what we have, it would help them. And then I decided to donate both my books and toys," he said.

Romil's mother reached out to the Whitefield Rising group to help them donate all the books. Whitefield Rising then reached out to different organisations who would take the books and many were interested in taking them. " When we saw the mail sent to us by Romil's mother, we thought that 90 kgs of books were a lot and wondered who would take them. But things just fell in place and in a week's time all the books were donated to different children. The books were packed in three boxes, a small box was sent to the NGOs – Robin Hood Army and Navachetana – and the rest were for Gram Panchayat libraries," said Zibi Jamal, member of Whitefield Rising.

Romil (above) donated all his old books and toys for children in need, which were distributed across the city

Romil also donated two boxes full of toys. Puzzles, train sets and cars were packed and sent to a creche run by Diya Ghar in Bellandur. The kids in the creche were happily playing with the toys that were sent.

Romil's mother said, "It's great to see that children at such a young age are so thoughtful."

FORM NO. INC-26
[Pursuant to rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]

Before the Regional Director, South East Region, Hyderabad
In the matter of the Companies Act, 2013, Section 13(4) of Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 30(5) (a) of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014
And
In the matter of Silvan Innovation Labs Private Limited having its Registered Office situated at 02nd Floor, B-78, #18, 04th Main Road, KSSIDC Industrial Estate, 06th Block, Rajaji Nagar, Bangalore 560010 .....Petitioner

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the Company proposes to make application/petition to the Regional Director, South East Region, Hyderabad under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting held on Monday, April 04, 2022 to enable the company to change its Registered office from State of Karnataka to the State of Gujarat i.e. from the jurisdiction of "Registrar of Companies, Bangalore," to the jurisdiction of "Registrar of Companies, Ahmedabad."

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the Company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing investor complaint form or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director, South East Region, ROC 3rd Floor, Corporate Bhavan, Bandlaguda, Nagole, Tattiannaram Village, Hayat Nagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad-500068, Telangana, within Fourteen days from the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the petitioner company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

Attention of: Mr. Bindingnavile Seshadri Praveen
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For Silvan Innovation Labs Private Limited
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Bindingnavile Seshadri Praveen
Director, DIN: 03017823

Beer prices may reach new high

After prices of petrol and diesel were hiked by the government, now beer makers are raising the prices of the alcohol beverage.

In the past two years, due to covid-19 pandemic, most beer companies did not increase the prices, but due to rise in input prices like barley, diesel, and petrol, the price hike is inevitable.

Most beer manufacturing companies requested the Excise department to increase per bottle price by Rs 5 to Rs 10. The revised prices will be implemented from April 15 for most of the companies, say sources. Most of the beer brands selling canned beer, 330ml and 650 ml bottles will see a price hike.

The price hike is directly linked to the Russia and Ukraine war. The main ingredient for beer production is Barley, which was imported from Russia and Ukraine. The ongoing war between the countries led to a reduction in supply of the barley, which eventually led to the rise in its price. The price of yeast and other raw materials also rose. Added to this, the fuel price hike resulted in an increase in logistics.

Web indenting, which was introduced in Karnataka State Beverages Corporation Limited (KSBCL) was not implemented properly and created a crisis for wholesale suppliers of liquor.

A liquor retailer said "KSBCL is not supplying liquor from April 2. Due to the Ugadi festival last week, most retailers sold their stock. Very little stock is left. The remaining stock also closes by Tuesday."

Karnataka Wine Merchants Association conducted a protest, demanding the resumption of the earlier system of supplying liquor from KSBCL. A retailer said, "We have requested to keep the old system along with a new system of indenting for at least one month. But, our request was not considered."

– PRAKASH VL

Milk prices to go up by Rs 2?

Milk prices are likely to be revised too. Many milk unions have been demanding that the milk prices be hiked by at least Rs 5. However, Karnataka Milk Federation has requested the State Government to allow an increase in prices per litre by Rs 2. The KMF officials say that the input prices have increased and hence there was a need to hike the milk prices. Now, CM Bommai will take a call. However, customers are not happy with the speculations.

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Needs transformation
Subramanyapura Road

A transformer near Acura Diagnostic Centre at Telecom Layout in Subramanyapura Road is lying in a sorry state. A lot of debris surrounds the transformer and there is no surety that it won't explode. This needs to be addressed at the earliest.

Way blocker
Bharathi Nagar

An electric junction box is sitting on a footpath on Seppings Road in Bharathi Nagar. The Bescom needs to fix this before any untoward incident happens.

Dark hours
Victoria Layout

There are no roads on the stretch between Palmgrove Road and Victoria Road Junction in Victoria Layout. This is posing danger to pedestrians, especially senior citizens, children and physically-challenged people. This needs to be fixed soon.

Smoking issue: A licence to sell

Vendor licencing will ensure tobacco sellers follow ID-based age verification of customers, experts say

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With schools reopening after a long break and children back in classes, the vulnerable age group is under threat of being exposed to tobacco-related products. Now, the Consortium for Tobacco-Free Karnataka (CTFK) is pushing for an age-restricted sale of tobacco products through licensed stores alone. According to reports, the vendor licensing was approved by the DMA office in 2021 but is pending approval from Chief Minister and UDD.

In a bid to restrict the sale of tobacco in designated areas and limit access to those above 18, public health experts are suggesting introducing vendor licensing.

A vendor licensing will ensure that vendors follow stringent rules to be eligible to sell to users. It will also initiate an ID-based age verification system using documents like Aadhar cards to ensure the sale of tobacco products only is made to adults.

"Without a vendor licence, stores are selling tobacco products to anybody and anywhere. Stores are being set up near public places; normalising the behaviour of those below 18. There are also cases of vendors shooting up the prices based on area availability," said Dr Prasad SM, Secretary, Indian Medical Association-Karnataka.

According to him, the licensing will ensure adults purchase directly from vendors. The license will be issued to a particular address and vendors will have to compulsorily conduct business from these premises.

Currently stores are selling tobacco products without vendor licence and sometimes also set up shop anywhere

This will ensure the sale of tobacco products on the same line of alcohol sale. Without easy availability of tobacco, young people will be discouraged from using tobacco products, said the President of CFTFK Dr Ramesh Bilimagga.

"Currently there are no regulations and children as young as eight are getting addicted to tobacco. In a recent incident, a student in the fourth standard was found smoking. There was also the case of a six standard student turning into a drug peddler after becoming a user," said Shashi Kumar, General Secretary, Associated Management of Private Schools in Karnataka (KAMS).

Karnataka was the first state to advocate for vendor licensing for tobacco sales back in 2013 but is still yet to be implemented.

"This has been in progress for the past two years. Around 8,000 letters were sent by children, parents, and civic groups to the Urban Development minister and CM. We have also filed an RTI," said S J Chander, Convenor of Consortium for Tobacco-Free Karnataka.

> **"Currently there are no regulations and children as young as eight are getting addicted to tobacco. Recently, a student of Class 4 was found smoking**
> –Shashi Kumar, KAMS

According to a CTFK official, the rules have been approved by the Directorate of Municipal Administration (DMA) and UD minister but are pending from the CM's office. "The file is currently with the UDD minister. There was a positive response from DMA last year. The licensing will be a minor amendment to the Karnataka Municipalities Act including the tobacco act for licensing. Vendors will need to renew every 5 years," said the official.

Experts highlight that vendors and tobacco farmers must also cooperate to truly take tobacco out of the reach of young people. "it's a constant complaint that vendors and tobacco farmers will run into losses with restrictions. Vendors should try to explore other products and farmers should be open to growing other crops even at a lesser profit margin in the greater public health interest," added Prasad.

Observing deterrents like vendor licensing contain loopholes, experts add that public awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco products is the key to behavioural change. They also suggest adding a chapter to the school curriculum about the side effects of using tobacco products.

A new beginning, from office

A few enthusiastic cyclists have convinced MNCs to hire cycles for employees to pedal to office

After two years, life is slowly traipsing back to the pre-covid normal for many in the city. Companies which were following the work from home module due to Covid-19 are now resuming work in their offices. As a result, the travel and hotel industry, dependant on many such IT companies, are heaving a sigh of relief.

Cognizant Technologies, which boasts of a two-lakh-strong workforce, have permitted their employees to return to office. From next month, employees will start returning to their premises and offices will resume fully by the year-end.

Similarly, TCS, Infosys, HCL, and other IT companies have allowed their employees to work from office for two days a week. In Bengaluru, there are more than 60,000 IT companies operating, and 40 lakh IT employees are working. More than 20 lakh employees depend on IT companies in other sectors.

Due to Covid-19, when IT companies adapted to a work-from-home life, lives of employees in other industries went into disarray. The travel, hotel, bakery, fruit-sellers, security, housekeeping industry employees also lost their jobs. The taxi drivers who migrated from villages went into unemployment. When these companies resume their offices, more than 20 lakh people will get their jobs back.

Hotel Owners' Association President P C Rao said, "Before the lockdown, two lakh lunches would be supplied to the IT sector. Eight to 10 lakh cups of tea and 1.6 litre of milk would be sold. Half of this was just from Silk Board and KR Puram areas."

According to Rao, if IT companies start working from offices in stages, the situation will slowly return to normal.

"Those who owned cabs after signing agreements with IT companies now cannot repay their loans. If IT companies start working, then it will be beneficial in a big way," said Karnataka State Travels Owners Association President Radhakrishna Holla.

However, despite the positivity, some are still wary and feel that it may take a while for the situation to normalise. The Outer Ring Road Company Association President Krishnakumar said that even now, many companies are sticking to a work from home system and it would be impossible to predict how many days it takes for employees to return to office in full capacity. **– Prakash VL**

After 2 years, Karaga festival back on Apr 16

After two years, Karaga, one of the most popular festivals of Bengaluru, will be open to the full public on April 16. The Karaga festival is known as a symbol of harmony and integrity between Hindus and Muslims for over 200 years.

Preparations are on for a full-scale celebration, despite the pressure from Hindu organisations to drop rituals involving Muslim community members from the festivities. The Karaga Utsava Samithi (Karaga Festival Committee) has stated that no matter what, all the traditions will be continued during the festival.

As per traditions, a group of Muslim religious leaders and moulvis have arrived into the Sri Dharmaraya Swamy temple on Thursday and blessed Karaga Utsava Samithi members. They gave an invitation to the committee to take out a procession to Mastaan Saab Dargah located in Balepet of Bengaluru.

Karaga Utsava Samithi President Satish stated that the festival will be carried out in the same way as earlier and there would be no change. BJP MLA Uday Garudachar has also pledged his support for maintaining the traditions, which are symbolic of Hindu-Muslim integration intact. "The question has surfaced regarding whether the Karaga procession should go to Mastaan Saab dargah or not. This tradition has been followed for hundreds of years and it should be maintained in the same way," he said. MLA Garudachar further stated that as a Hindu, he would lead the Karaga procession to Mastaan Saab dargah.

The management of dargah is also ready for the worship of Karaga deity. India is a secular country and no attempt should be made to spoil the peace and harmony, he added. Karaga festival is held at Shri Dharmarayaswamy temple in Bengaluru for nine days. Just after dusk on Karaga day, a priest dressed in a female attire, leads a colourful procession. Hundreds of community members of thigalars, a warrior community, including children, will take part in the procession flashing swords.

Women and devotees carry earthen pots on their heads. The priest carries a flower-bedecked pyramid and leads the procession. **–BMB**

Bizman sets son ablaze after argument

A 51-year-old businessman set his only son ablaze after the latter refused to give away accounts of his father's businesses that he was taking care of for more than two years now in Chamrajpet, west Bengaluru.

The Chamrajpet police have booked the accused identified as Surendra Kumar for murder, wrongful restraint among other sections and have taken him in custody for questioning after his son Arpith, 25, breathed his last at the Burns' Ward in Victoria Hospital on Thursday.

According to the police, the incident happened on April 1 at their house in Azad Nagar in Chamrajpet. A senior police officer said that as Arpith was taking care of all the business, his father came to know that his son was mismanaging the money and refusing to show the accounts. After a heated argument, Kumar took a bottle of paint thinner and poured it on his son, lit a match and set him on fire. Despite being hospitalised almost immediately, Arpith succumbed to his injuries. **–BMB**

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How to conserve water this summer

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again, it was seen the water flow had reduced to 3 litres per minute.

The students and teachers learnt a key step in water conservation — an aerator which would cost approximately Rs 20, easy to fix on taps that have rings around it. For water restrictors, the amount would go up to Rs 100, as it is mainly used for traditional taps, wherein the restrictor would be fitted behind the water taps.

Lalithamba visited other schools and created awareness on water conservation — in HSR layout, Iblur, Agara and others locations. Over six schools were covered and a total of 78 aerators were installed.

"We realised that in schools and colleges, we could save substantial quantities of water. We installed aerators and restrictors as required. Pumping of water to the overhead tank had come down from twice a day to once a day in one of the government schools where aerators/restrictors were installed last week. Water wastage was reduced and consumption came down by 50%," Lalithamba said. In Haralukunte school, up to 15,000 litres of water were saved per month thanks to Lalithamba. In Iblur school, after installing the aerators, water flow came down to 3 litres/minute from 6 litres/minute. The school can now save around 10,000 litres per month. Aerators were also installed at the Government First Grade College, with a water flow of 11 litres per minute, which came down to 3 litres per minute.

Lalithamba also visited two hotels, one marriage hall, a police station and a public toilet. "By installing water aerators and flow restrictors in various places like apartments, villas, independent houses, educational institutions, hostels, PGs, hotels, hospitals, cinema halls, malls, corporate houses, marriage halls, bus stands, railway stations and other such spaces, we can save thousands of litres of water," she said. Muthappa, the head master of Parangipalya Government School, said with over 400 students at the school, the consumption of water per day used to be 400-500 litres. Now the consumption has come down considerably. The frequency of switching on pumps has reduced. From thrice a day, it has come to twice a day. The force of water flow is unchanged even with the aerator," he said.

EverythingECO provides eco solutions in water, waste, gardening and green building technologies. They provide water tap aerators, restrictors, low flow hand showers and various other products. Lalithamba with the help of everythingECO was involved in providing aerators to schools.

"In 2016, me and my colleague Shashidhara, started work on conserving water. The focus is on urban areas at the consumption level. We know once the taps are open, there is excess wastage of water; we wanted to limit the flow. All taps come with filters inside, but they don't control the flow. Hence to restrict the flow of water, we recommend aerators of the spray-type; it covers a larger area while conserving water. We have covered many apartments across Bengaluru," said everythingECO co-founder Karunaprasad.

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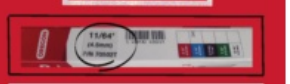

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committee; they are evaluating it. It is a large value tender. We are now all set to launch the first corridor work soon. The project required a lot of work on the drawing board. However, we have obtained all the clearances and planned the project in detail. Despite losing over six months to covid-19 pandemic, all milestones have been achieved; we plan to meet the set deadline of six years to complete all the corridors," said Garg. Notably, the suburban rail project has been delayed due to land acquisition issues.

In October 2020, the Union government cleared the much-delayed Bengaluru Suburban Rail project with four corridors at a sanctioned cost of Rs 15,767 crore. The Centre had also said that KSR Bengaluru City-Devanahalli line should be prioritised and completed within three years, while the rest of the corridors should be completed within six years of the sanction date.

However, the 25.01 km-long Baiyyappanahalli-Chikkabanavara corridor has been given priority. Under this project, four corridors are envisioned to be constructed with a total length of 148 km.

Cabinet rejig talks

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Thursday said he held a broad discussion on the issue of his cabinet rejig with BJP National President JP Nadda, and further discussion will be held next week. Speaking to reporters before leaving for Bengaluru, Bommai said he held a meeting with Nadda on Wednesday on the matter.

"I had a broad discussion on cabinet expansion. The party top brass has obtained all the information. Nadda has said further discussion would be held during his visit to Karnataka for the state party executive committee meeting," he said. **– PTI**

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All about iron deficiency anaemia

While deficiency of iron causes anaemia, the condition is also brought about by various other factors

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Iron deficiency anemia may be a common health condition affecting men and women globally, but often, people might go for years experiencing its symptoms without knowing they have it. The deficiency of iron causes are many, and some people might even be predisposed to the issue. So, without further ado, let's learn more about the same.

While deficiency of iron causes iron deficiency anaemia, there's more to the health condition. Read on to know about the types of anaemia, risk factors for it, and how you can prevent it.

Deficiency of iron causes iron deficiency anaemia: What is it?

Iron deficiency anaemia is a type of anaemia, which is a condition in which the blood doesn't have adequate healthy red blood cells. Red blood cells are important as they carry oxygen to all the tissues and cells in the body. In iron deficiency anemia, due to a lack of sufficient iron, the body is unable to produce hemoglobin, which enables red blood cells to carry oxygen to all parts of the body.

Understanding deficiency of iron causes

Put simply, a nutritional deficiency occurs because of inadequate intake of the nutrient. This applies to iron deficiency too. However, there are quite a few causes of iron deficiency as listed below:

- Improper diet or inadequate iron intake
- Inflammatory bowel disease or coeliac disease
- Pregnancy, resulting in the increased iron requirement
- Blood loss due to heavy periods or internal bleeding

Tip: Note that internal bleeding in the stomach or intestines can be triggered by hemorrhoids, stomach ulcers, bowel or stomach cancer, and most importantly, excess consumption of NSAIDs, such as ibuprofen or aspirin.

CAUSES OF IRON DEFICIENCY

What are the side effects of excess iron intake?

- **Acute iron poisoning can happen by overdosing on iron supplements. A single dose of as low as 10–20 mg/kg may cause adverse side effects like nausea, stomach pain, and vomiting. Higher doses require medical attention, with repeat doses causing serious problems over time, particularly accumulating in internal organs like the brain and liver, leading to fatal damage.**

What are the risk factors for iron deficiency anaemia?

- **Anaemia is a common health condition but some people may be at greater risk of developing iron-deficiency anemia. You have a higher risk for this condition if you:**
- **are a woman of childbearing age**
- **are pregnant**
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- **are a vegetarian donate blood frequently**
- **are a high performance and endurance athlete are over 65 years old.**
- **Infants born prematurely and children experiencing a growth spurt, and individuals exposed to lead in their environment are also at higher risk for iron-deficiency anaemia.**

Types of anaemia

There are different types of anaemia, all of which have different causes. However, all types of anemia lead to a decrease in the number of red blood cells in circulation. This can happen because of one of the following reasons:

- The body cannot make enough hemoglobin
- The hemoglobin doesn't work correctly
- The body doesn't make enough red blood cells
- The body breaks down red blood cells quickly
- Read on to understand the different types of anemia apart from iron deficiency anemia, which is the most common type of anaemia.

Vitamin deficiency anaemia: The body needs folate and vitamin B12 besides iron to produce healthy red blood cells. Eating a diet that lacks key nutrients can decrease red blood cell production. Inability to absorb B12 also causes vitamin deficiency anemia, known as pernicious anemia.

Aplastic anaemia: This is a rare, life-threatening disease that occurs when the body doesn't produce enough red blood cells. Causes include infections, autoimmune diseases, taking certain medicines, and exposure to toxic chemicals.

Hemolytic anemias: These types of anemias are caused when the red blood cells are destroyed or broken down faster than the bone marrow can replace them with new ones. This happens in certain blood diseases; hemolytic anemias can be inherited or may develop later in life.

Anemia of inflammation: Certain diseases like rheumatoid arthritis, cancer, kidney disease, Crohn's disease, HIV/AIDS, and other inflammatory diseases interfere with red blood cell production, thus causing anaemia.

Bone marrow disease-associated anaemia: Diseases like leukemia and myelofibrosis can affect blood production in the bone marrow, bringing about mild to life-threatening effects.

Sickle cell anaemia: This is an inherited condition and is a type of hemolytic anemia. In this condition, a defective form of hemoglobin forces red blood cells to take on an abnormal crescent or sickle shape. The body suffers from a chronic shortage of red blood cells as these irregular cells die prematurely.

Tip: While deficiency of iron causes iron deficiency anaemia, the condition is also brought about by various other factors.

Deficiency of iron causes: Recommended daily intake

Here are some foods to include in your diet to increase your iron intake:

Spinach: About 100 grams of raw spinach contains 2.7 mg of iron. Note that nonheme iron, or iron that comes from plant sources, isn't absorbed by the body very well. Vitamin C helps boost the absorption of iron, so be sure to include foods rich in this nutrient in your meals.

Legumes: Lentils, beans, peas, chickpeas and soybeans are commonly known and consumed legumes. These are loaded with nutrients and a great source of iron – just under 200 grams of cooked lentils can offer 6.6 mg of iron!

Tofu: This soy-based food is packed with different nutrients. When it comes to iron, around 125 grams of tofu can provide 3.4 mg of iron.

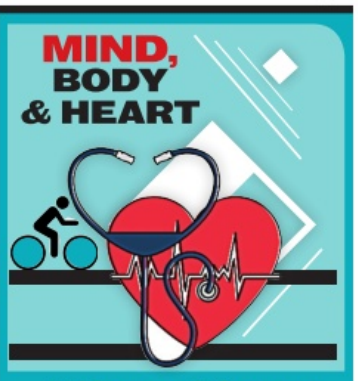
Broccoli: This incredibly nutritious cruciferous vegetable is a powerhouse of nutrients. About 150 grams of cooked broccoli packs in 1 mg of iron. It is also rich in vitamin C.

Quinoa: This popular grain or pseudocereal is one of the best choices for people with gluten intolerance. 185 grams of cooked quinoa can provide 2.8 mg of iron. It also has antioxidant activity, protecting the body from the damage caused by free radicals.

Pumpkin Seeds: These tasty and nutritious seeds pack a punch with 28 grams offering 2.5 mg of iron.

Dark Chocolate: A 28 gram serving of dark chocolate offers you 3.4 mg of iron. Flavanols present in chocolate are responsible for the goodness this sweet treat offers, so pick a bar that has a minimum of 70% of cocoa to get the most health benefits.

Tip: Iron is an important mineral for your health. It cannot be produced by the body so be sure to take the recommended daily intake of this nutrient through food or supplements.



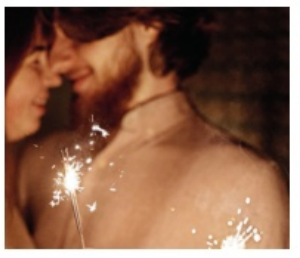
All problems solved

Dear Coleen

I'm 22 and have been with my boyfriend since we were both 18.
I love him without question, but recently I've been having a lot of sexual fantasies about another guy, who I slept with once during a time when my boyfriend and I were on a break.
My boyfriend knows about the one-night stand and has never given me a hard time about it because we weren't together when it took place.
I don't know what to do.
I know this other guy is single and that he's still interested in me and I'm very tempted.
What does it all mean?
Please help - I'm driving myself crazy!

COLEEN SAYS

I think it means you might not be ready to commit yourself to this relationship.
At 22 you're still very young and you've already been in this relationship for four years, during which time most of your friends have probably dated lots of different guys.
I was with my first boyfriend between the ages of 15 and 19 and thought it was for life. Look at me now!
Both you and your boyfriend have probably changed a lot in those four years and perhaps you feel you've missed out on some fun and that's what you're craving.
It's always nice to know someone fancies you and it's normal to be attracted to other people, but before you make a decision, see if you can bring the fun back to your relationship.
But what you mustn't do is start something with this other guy and keep going back to your boyfriend. Maybe what you need is to be on your own to enjoy being 22.
—Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror



KGF creates ripples in Metaverse

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That's too mush

After being hush-hush at first, these couples are now casting a love spell

Love is in the air and Cupid has struck B-Town like never before! While we are way past the month of love, romance is blossoming and PDA running amok. From Hrithik Roshan dating 16 years younger Saba Azad to KL Rahul and Athiya Shetty's hush-hush romance – take a look at newest Bollywood couples who are casting a love spell with their romance.

Hrithik Roshan and Saba Azad

This couple began dating a few months ago and are putting no effort in keeping this romance under the wraps. Jumping from DMs to dinner dates, Hrithik Roshan and Saba Azad's relationship is moving at a quick pace. The couple is going all out now, be it mushy comments on social media or secret holidays and family outings. This couple seems to be giving the millennials quite some competition.

KL Rahul and Athiya Shetty

We've been a sucker for Bollywood and cricket crossover romances. After Anushka Sharma-Virat Kohli, the next romance that has got everyone hooked is that of KL Rahul and Athiya Shetty. The couple's love seems to have received a nod from Suniel Shetty as well, and we just can't wait for their low key romance to turn into a fairytale wedding!

Rakul Preet Singh and Jackky Bhagnani

Their confession of love took everyone by surprise! Rakul Preet Singh and Jackky Bhagnani turned their secret romance into an official one on Rakul's 31st birthday. What followed was social media PDA, secret holidays and wedding speculations! Rakul and Jackky are in no mood to hide their romance any longer, but are not the ones to shout out their love from rooftops either.

Sussanne Khan and Arslan Goni

Cozy pictures on social media spelled out Sussanne Khan and Arslan Goni's romance. After a meeting through common friends, it seems like Sussanne and Arslan hit it off and are enjoying each other's company. From dinner dates to parties, Sussanne Khan and Arslan Goni seem inseparable. Interestingly, Sussanne-Arslan attended the same party as Hrithik-Saba recently!. — ETimes

Blue-green holiday

Time and again, Sonakshi Sinha has acknowledged her love for traveling. Being fond of beaches, the actress is often seen sharing happy moments and snippets from her vacays. Having said that, the actress recently shared a bunch of postcard-perfect photos from the Maldives.

Sharing the picture, Sonakshi wrote, "Where there's blue... theres green" In the photo Sonakshi donned one of her brightest smiles as she enjoyed the azure blue waters of Maldives. She looked stunning in shades of blue and green, while the breeze played with her hair.

On the work front, Sonakshi will be seen sharing screen space with Huma Qureshi in 'Double XL', which revolves around body weight stereotypes. She will be seen alongside Riteish Deshmukh and Saqib Saleem in Aditya Sarpotdar's horror-comedy film 'Kakuda'.

Nargis opens up about being body-shamed

Actor Nargis Fakhri recently opened up about being body-shamed.

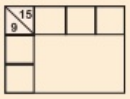
In an interview with a news portal, Nargis shared that she was a victim of fat shaming when she took a three-year break after the 2016 film Azhar and returned to the big screen with 2019 film Amavas.

With a drastic change in her body, rumours were rife that the actor had taken a maternity break. Later on she had penned a strongly worded note on Instagram with before and after pictures "Living life in the public eye can be very difficult sometimes. As much as it is a blessing, it also comes with its downside... I have since lost 20 lbs by making lifestyle changes. If I can do it, so can you."

When asked about it, the actress shared that there is a certain look or appearance people expect from you, and hence it often becomes a pressure to maintain that. She further stated that this notion is funny, and that one can never be good enough. — ETimes

Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.



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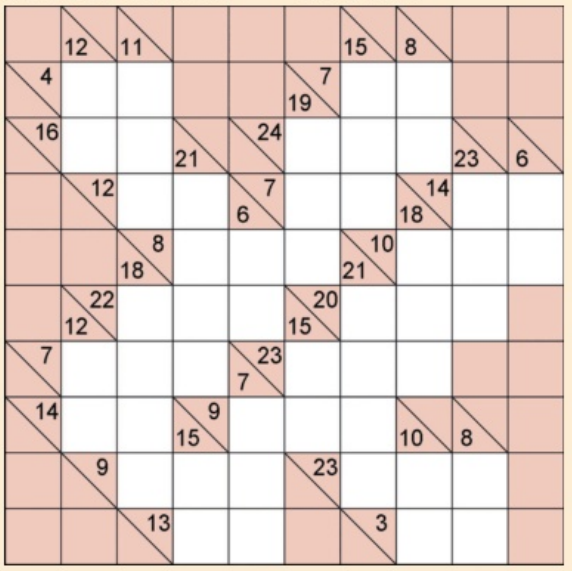

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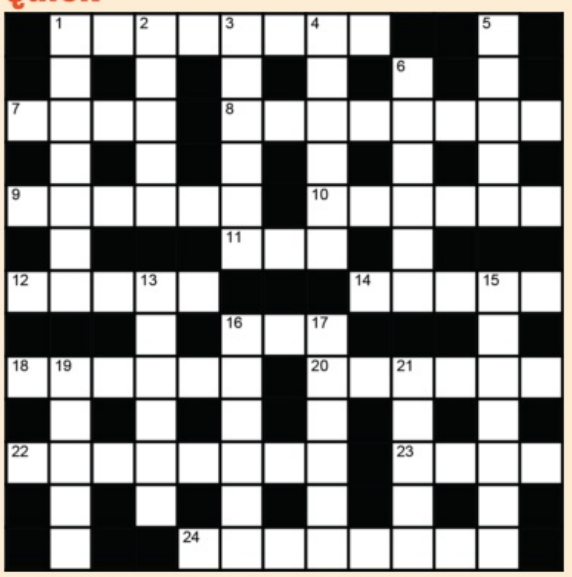


ACROSS

1 Intellectual (8)
7 Upper limbs (4)
8 Mystifying (8)
9 Golf shot (6)
10 Tidily and properly (6)
11 Hang loosely (3)
12 Holiday spot in Karnataka (5)
14 Greatly inclined (5)
16 1988 Dennis Quaid remake (3)
18 Save from danger (6)
20 Provide money to pay cost or expenses (6)
22 Hawaiian capital (8)
23 Tracks of wheels in soft earth (4)
24 Title for clergyman (8)

DOWN

1 ___ Nelson : English naval hero? (7)
2 Relish (5)
3 Infants or nurslings (6)
4 A time some way away (6)
5 Jury for one? (5)
6 Easily influenced (6)
13 Suppose (6)
15 Insisted on and obtained (7)
16 Fool or deceive (6)
17 Cite as evidence (6)
19 Black wood (5)
21 Strength or power (5)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: C EQUALS P

AD TKYKPURAED FKPUQDEH GH FKP JGQT LK RQQKZGRLD JGLT TKYKPURAED CDKCED.

Linemaro

Are those diamonds real? I'm talking about the ones in your eyes

Mindchow

Everyone is a bore to someone. That is unimportant. The thing to avoid is being a bore to oneself

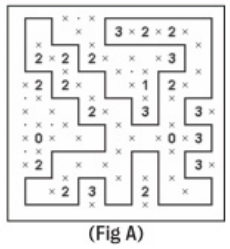
Joke of the day

Of course, there's no reason for it, it's just our policy

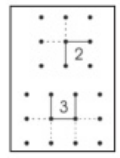
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

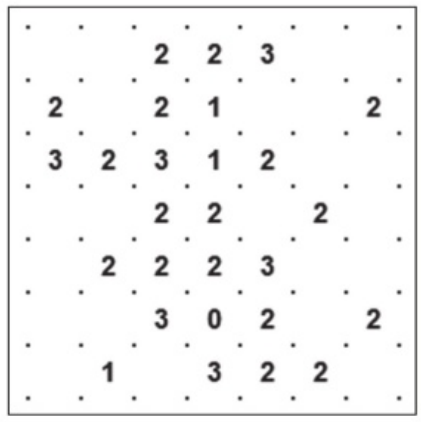


(Fig B) Not Allowed

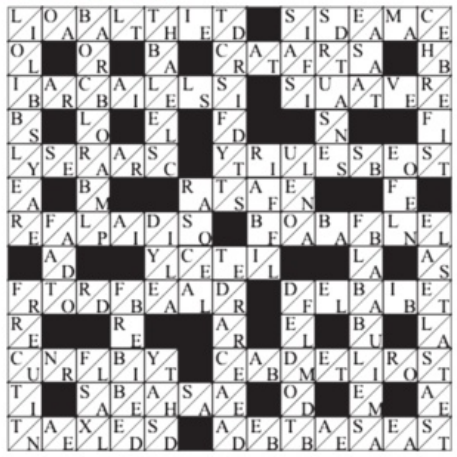
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



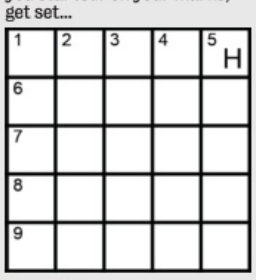
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

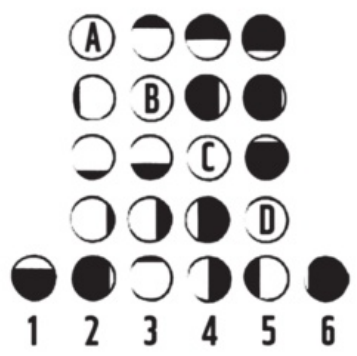
1 Ph rag; 6 Aimer; 7 Solid; 8 Greet; 9 Fates

DOWN

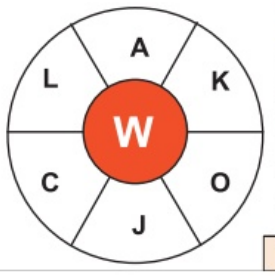
1 If Erg; 2 Dirge; 3 Or ATM; 4 A leap; 5 Seth's

Mensapuzzle

Which of the numbered circles belong to A, B, C and D?



Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

03 Average; 04 Good; 05 Outstanding

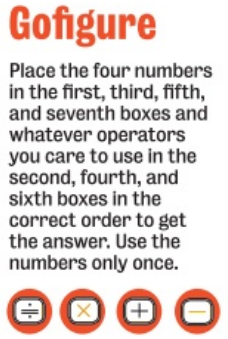
SudokuChallenge

4	9				3			
5		6		7			3	
3			9	6			7	
					5		8	
		9	3		2	5		
	4		7					
	2			5	9			6
	5			4		8		2
			2				5	4

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



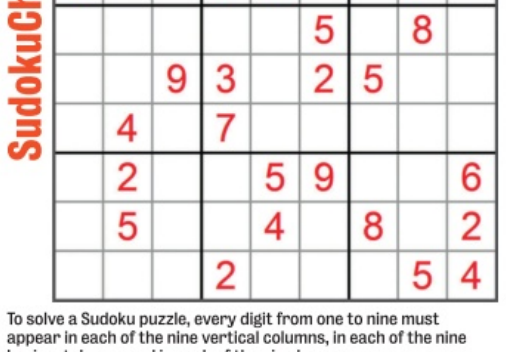
Easy = 7
1 4 7 9

Medium = 33
2 5 7 8

Hard = 5
4 6 7 4

Hocusfocus

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



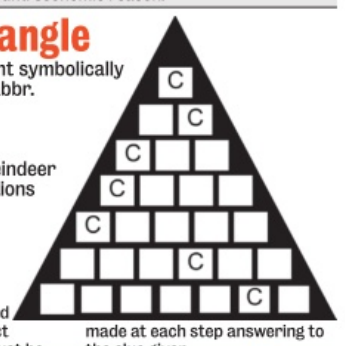
Differences: 1. Box is larger. 2. Tie is missing. 3. Label on box is moved. 4. Word is smaller. 5. Hat is larger. 6. Hand is moved.

Riddler

You will know that I am coming. From the jingle of my bell, But exactly who I am is not an easy thing to tell. Children, they adore me for they find me jolly, but I do not see them when the halls are decked with holly. My job often leaves me frozen,I am a man that all should know, But I do not do business in times of sleet or ice or snow. I travel much on business, But no reindeer haul me around, I do all my traveling firmly on the ground. I love the time of Christmas, But that's not my vocational season, And I assure that is because of a sound economic reason.

Alpha triangle

1 Diamond's element symbolically
2 Air conditioner, abbr.
3 Knave
4 Ace or deuce
5 Core group
6 One of Santa's reindeer
7 Intensity of emotions



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

COMICS

Redeye by Mel Casson

Bizarrotrip

Diamond Lil

Hart of the city

Crankshaft

Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today, disputes with siblings may resolve; it may strengthen your relationship. Your vital force seems to be good; it may help you to complete difficult projects easily. You may expand your network after a work-related trip. You may also help some needy person; it may increase your prestige. You may meet an influential person, who will be helpful in the near future in terms of a professional front.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today, you may be busy with your family; you may feel happy to enjoy your time with family or friends. You may expect some new sources of income, which may boost your financial health. You may have control over your expenditures on worthless stuff. You may buy some worthwhile things, which may increase your social status. You may also be busy in kids' academics.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today, you may feel energetic; your performance may be fast. You may complete your task within a given time frame; it will make you happy. You may also cheer up someone who is depressed. Your prestige may increase now. There might be some balance between domestic and professional life. Natives related to import and export, trading and strategy analysis may do better now.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today, some dissatisfaction may come into your mind; you may feel lazy and dull. It may affect your current speed of project or work and it may get delayed. Love birds are advised to avoid any important decision in terms of marriage. Job seekers may get disappointed at interviews. You will waste your precious time on worthless tasks.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today, you may feel dull. Your focus may be diverted from your targets. You may make some hypothetical decisions, which may be away from reality. Your expectation may be very high and because of impatience, you are not able to fulfil your expectations. You may be upset. You are advised to be careful during adventure trips and rash driving. By afternoon, your profits may increase; you may start working with some new clients, which will expand the business in the near future.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today, you may control your internal weakness after analysing yourself. You may be confident; it may give you strength to fight against addictions of any kind. Singles are likely to find their good match. Love birds are now having clarity in their relationship. You may expect some opportunities for overseas travel. Students will hear good news in terms of academics.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, situations are under control. You may feel better. You may plan for overseas travel. Your network may help you in the work front. There might be some increase in the domestic harmony. You may be more creative; you may bring some artefacts or creative stuff for family or office. You may also plan to watch movies or spend time in other forms of entertainment with friends or family.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
In the starting of the week, you will expect financial gains. You will make a balance between your earnings and expenses, which will boost your bank balance. You will perform better in your job. Your boss will give you new responsibilities in terms of promotions. You will get back your money from borrowers. You will be able to have control over your opponents and hidden enemies. Your health will be better now.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today, you may plan to renovate your house. You may buy some stuff to decorate your house to maintain your social status. There is likely to be some harmony with the spouse. This will enable harmony in your domestic life. Disputes with friends, co-workers and partners may settle down. You may get good news in terms of litigation.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today, you may feel energetic. Some old diseases may get cured now. You may hear some good news from your close relatives. You may perform well at work; your subordinates may help you with a difficult project. You may develop trust in your subordinates. It may increase your prestige in society. You may also hear good news in a legal matter.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today, you may feel that life is becoming difficult; you may seek some advice from your elders to sustain in the given situation. You need to keep patience. Kids' education may make you upset; you may go on a short trip for their academics. Investors are advised to avoid speculation before making any investments. You may plan to enroll in a course, which will enhance your educational skills.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today is not a positive day; you may be disappointed. Your focus towards your work may not be good; it may affect your routine work. Your projects may get delayed. It is advised to sustain yourself in the current situation. Investments in fixed assets shall be postponed for a while. You are advised to postpone a plan of construction of a house or office.

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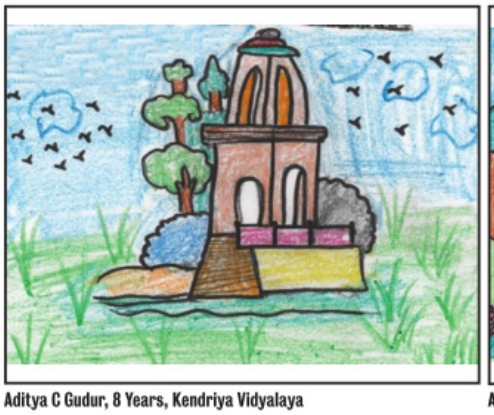

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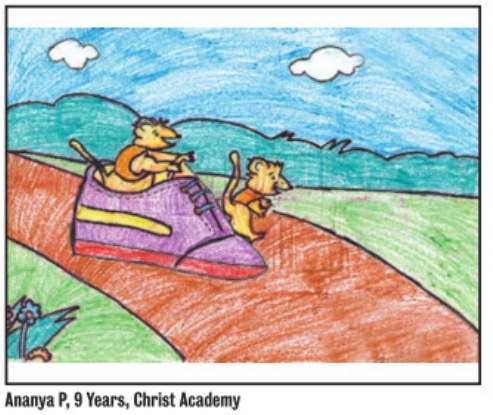

Ananya P, 9 Years, Christ Academy

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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
64/8[(256)^(1/2)]^(1/2)+2^4
= 64/8(16)^(1/2)+16
= 64/8(4)+16
= 8(4)+16
= 32+16 = 48

RIDDLER
Ice Cream Man!

QUOTE UNCODE
Be honourable yourself if you wish to associate with honourable people.

FAST FIVE

G	R	A	P	H
R	I	M	A	E
E	G	R	E	T
I	D	O	L	S
F	E	T	A	S

STRIKE OUT

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MENSA PUZZLE
A3, B5, C1, D6. In the first line the shading moves from top to bottom. In the second line itmoves from left to right. In the third line itmoves from bottom to top. In the fourth line itmoves from right to left.

BULL'S EYE
claw, cowl, jowl, LOCKJAW, walk

SUDOKU

9	6	8	2	3	1	7	5	4
1	5	3	6	4	7	8	9	2
7	2	4	8	5	9	3	1	6
8	4	5	7	1	6	9	2	3
6	7	9	3	8	2	5	4	1
2	3	1	4	9	5	6	8	7
3	1	2	9	6	8	4	7	5
5	8	6	1	7	4	2	3	9
4	9	7	5	2	3	1	6	8

ALPHA TRIANGLE
C, AC, Cad, Card, Cadre, Dancer, Ardency.

GO FIGURE
Easy
9 – 7 + 1 + 4 = 7
Medium
8 x 7 / 2 + 5 = 33
Hard
6 + 7 – 4 – 4 = 5

LOOP

KAKURO

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PeeCee, Anthony Mackie's thriller lands OTT platform

Priyanka Chopra and Anthony Mackie are seen together for the first time in Ending Things

Actors Priyanka Chopra and Anthony Mackie's upcoming action thriller 'Ending Things' has been picked up by Amazon Studios.

As per Deadline, the upcoming film was acquired by the studio after a round of competitive bidding.

Kevin Sullivan will write and direct the movie, which is said to be similar to James Cameron's 1994 action-comedy 'True Lies'.

The storyline of the movie revolves around a hit-woman who wants out of the assassin business and tells her "business" partner that she's ending their personal relationship as well. But she comes to realise she doesn't want to end that part of their bond. In order to survive the breakup - and their last job together - they must join forces for one last night out.

Producing deals are still being worked out. Davis Entertainment's Jeremy Stein and Lit Entertainment will produce with Mackie's Make It With Gravy Productions and Inspire Entertainment's Jason Spire. Chopra Jonas will serve as an executive producer through her Purple Pebble Pictures banner.

'Ending Things' will mark Priyanka's first project with Mackie. Priyanka was last seen in the supporting role of Sati in 'The Matrix Resurrections', the fourth film in the sci-fi franchise.

Currently, she is awaiting the release of 'Text For You'. She recently wrapped the shoot for her Amazon series 'Citadel', a much-anticipated TV series that comes from the Russo Brothers, the directors of MCU movies like 'Avengers: Endgame'.

She will also feature in an adaptation of Shilpi Somaya Gowda's novel 'The Secret Daughter', in which she will co-star with Sienna Miller.

Meanwhile, Mackie is gearing up for his directorial debut 'Spark', featuring 'King Richard' star Saniyya Sidney. He recently wrapped 'Desert Warrior', which also stars Ben Kingsley, Sharlto Copley, and Aiysha Hart.

-ANI

Trikona will make audiences introspect

Producer Rajashekar (inset) says the film has a message

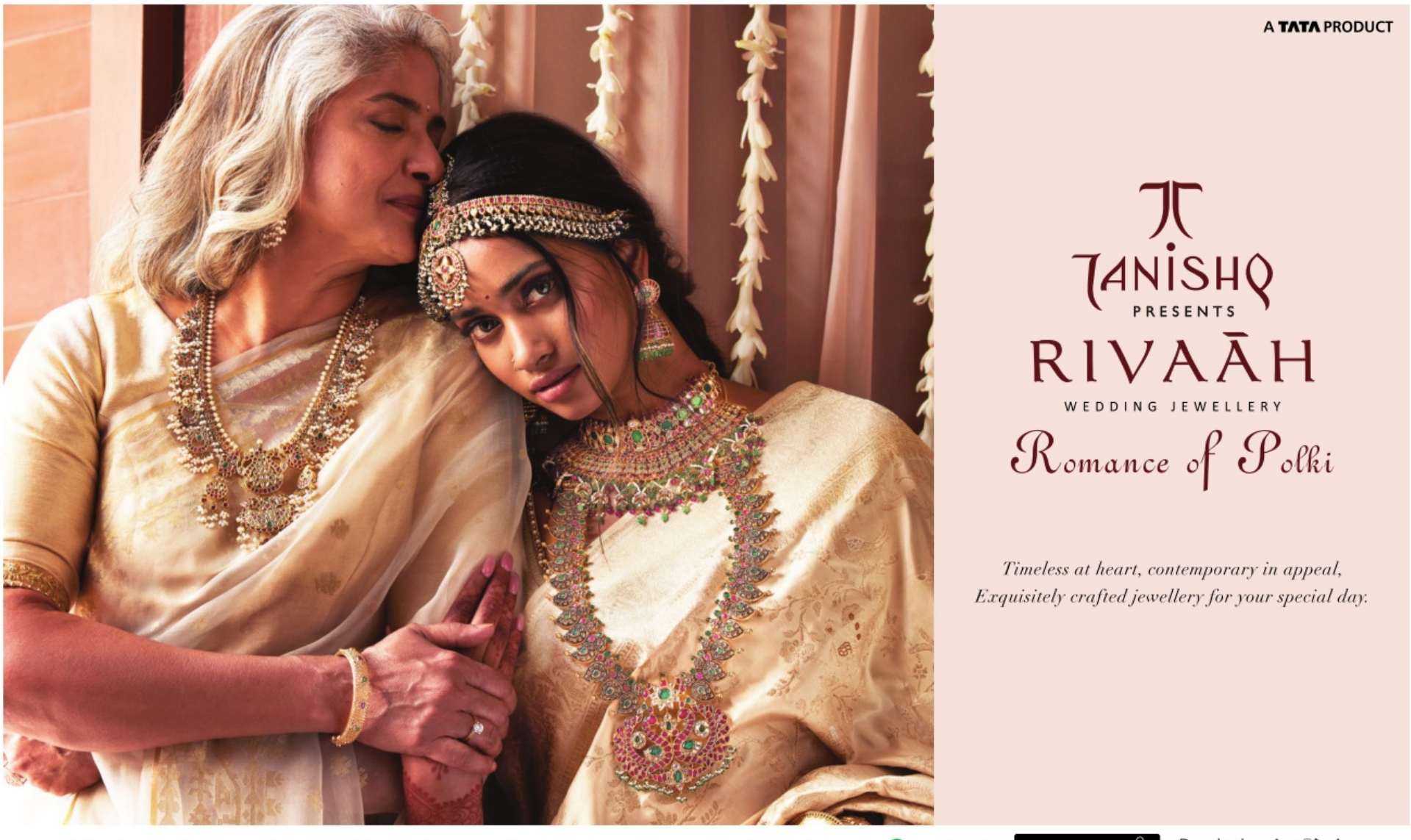
Trikona, an action thriller, is releasing on Friday all over Karnataka for audiences that like thoughtful films.

The producer and story writer Rajashekhar said, "The movie has an underlying message that each individual must have patience. The same message we are adopting in our life. This movie made me learn lots of patience. We have confidence in our movie. The audience will definitely support us."

He said social media also helps when a good movie comes to theatres. He said the film is releasing at around 50 theatres and if if we get a good response from the audience, then the theatres will also increase," he said.

Director Chandrakanth said the name of the film indicates there are three angles -- patience, ego, and strength are those angles. "It says patience is more important than ego and strength. After watching Trikona, the audience will introspect. This message is said with a commercial touch. We have explored a new location Kudlu Theertha falls for this movie which is between Agumbe and Hebri," he said.

DOP Srinivasa Vinnakota said the director gave freedom to experiment with the light. Surendranath is the music director of the film produced by Police Praki Productions. – Prakash VL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